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PREVENT HEN SITTING DOWN
California Man Invents Apparatus
That Will Effectually Break
Up Broody Fowl.

As every poultry farmer knows,
there are times when he does not
want his hens to set and there are
some hens he does not want to set at
any time. To insure obedience by
the stupid birds a California man has
invented the apparatus presented
here. A breast plate has two wire
legs extending down from it. On
either end of the plate are straps,
which pass under the chicken's wings
and buckle over its back. The legs
stick out in front and do not in the



Balks Setting Hens.

least interfere with the fowl's free-
dom of movement, but to prevent her
from setting, although she can lay
eggs and is expected to do so if she
wants to remain popular. When a
hen persists in setting the eggs are
sometimes hard to find, and when
they are found are unfit for any other
use.

TO PREVENT DREADED ROUP

Disease Results From Cold in Head
and is Easily Broken Up If
Taken in Time.

This is the season for colds. If left
unattended a cold will, within com-
paratively short space of time, develop
into either roup or bronchitis. While
the two diseases are widely different
yet they are both the result of colds,
and while the latter is not nearly so
disastrous as the former yet many
birds die of it. A cold is very easily
broken up if taken in time and thus
the life of many valuable specimens
saved.

Purchase a five-cent oil can and fill
with coal oil. At the first sign of a
cold catch the bird and by pushing the
bottom of the can inject one douche of
oil into each nostril and into the roof
of the mouth. If taken in time this
one application is sufficient to cure the
bird. Should a cure not be effected re-
peat twice daily. Result, the entire
absence of roup the most dreaded dis-
ease. In addition to the coal oil
place a small quantity of permangan-
ate of potash in the drinking water.



Market eggs at least twice each
week.

Warmth and comfort are the feed
economizers.

Don't forget that lice and mites af-
fect the egg yield.

It requires about four geese to
make a pound of feathers.

Be sure that the male at the head
of a flock of poultry is purebred.

The more the hen exercises the
more eggs she will lay. So keep her
scratching.

Dry-picked turkey feathers com-
mand a better price in market than
scalded ones.

February is generally the begin-
ning of the laying season for both
ducks and geese.

Ducks seldom become broody;
geese are apt to become broody after
laying the first litter.

The hens need strenuous exercise
these days to keep them from becom-
ing sluggish and inactive.

The secret of getting winter eggs
is early-hatched pullets, well grown,
well sheltered and well fed.

Eggs from yearling ducks hatch
well, but geese must be about three
years old to show strong fertility.

A few drops of little liquid sulphur
in bucket of water is fine for chick-
ens in dry weather, once or twice a
week.

A little cotton seed meal mixed
with mash is fine to produce glossy
feathers and helps to supply the meat

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Geese cannot be profitably hatched
and reared artificially, while incu-
bators and brooders have revolutionized
the duck business.

Green cut bone will make hens lay
in winter. Get a bone cutter and
grind them yourself. If you cannot
buy them already ground.

The older the gander the more vic-
ious he is apt to become during breed-
ing season; the drake seldom shows
temper, being of a more timid nature



This community cannot rise
much above the level of the in-
dividual home, and the home rises only
by the pull of the community regulations
or by the initiative of a few especially
far-sighted individuals.
—Ellen Richards.

TESTED GOOD THINGS.

These are all dishes tried and true,
which may be used without fear.

Split Pea Soup.—Pick over a cupful
of dried, split peas, wash them, then
soak in plenty of cold water over
night. In the morning pour off the
water and put the peas to cook in
two quarts of water; add a two-inch
cube of salt pork and one onion sliced.
Cook gently until the peas have be-
come very soft, stirring frequently to
keep them from burning on the bot-
tom. It will probably take four or
five hours to cook them properly.
When tender rub through a sieve, re-
turn to the kettle and re-heat. Melt
two tablespoonfuls of butter, add two
tablespoonfuls of flour, thin with a
little of the soup and add. When well
cooked add two cups of milk or a cup
of milk and a cup of cream, if it is to
be very fine. Season to taste with salt
and pepper and serve hot.

Smothered Fish.—This is a good
supper dish on a cold winter night:
Fry slowly in a frying pan six or seven
slices of fat salt pork. When the
pork is brown, take it out and add
five or six sliced onions of medium
size. When the onions are about a
third done, skim them out and lay in
pieces of fresh fish in the bottom of
the pan. Over this spread some of
the onions, salted and peppered, and
cover with a layer of sliced raw po-
tatoes, well seasoned. Cover closely
and cook slowly for an hour on the
back of the stove.

Hot Rice Pudding.—Wash a half cup
of rice and put to cook in a double
boiler with a quart of hot milk. When
the rice is tender, add two tablespo-
onfuls of sugar and same amount of
butter. Season with salt. Beat the
egg until light, add to the rice, cook
just a minute. Put the rice into the
dish for serving. Mix two table-
spoonfuls of sugar with two of butter
and a half teaspoonful of cinnamon.
Spread over the top. Serve hot.

Nellie Maxwell.

Lavishness is too often confounded
with luxury

Vacuum Explained.
Mrs. Wiggs—"John, what is an ab-
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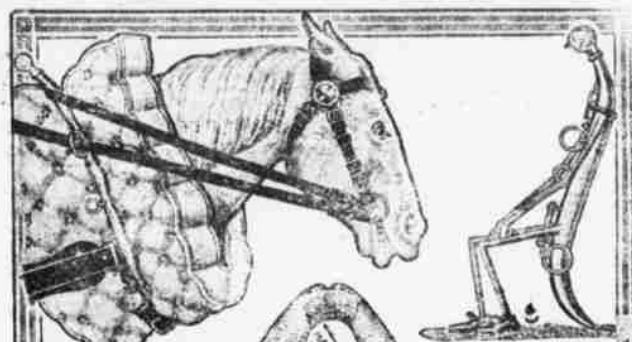
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